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REMARKS

Claims 1-78 are pending in the application. The Examiner has required restriction between alleged patentably distinct inventions, identified by the Examiner as follows:

- Group 1 claims 1-13 drawn to a method of cleaning fabric with fluid
- Group 2 claims 14-31 drawn to a wash cycle comprising recirculation
- Group 3 claims 32-36 drawn to a method of drying fabric with air steam
- Group 4 claims 37-42 drawn to a method of removing impurities from wash liquid
- Group 5 claims 43-54 drawn to an apparatus
- Group 6 claims 55-72 drawn to an apparatus with cross membrane, compressor, heat exchanger
- Group 7- claims 73-78 drawn to an apparatus with a wash chamber, storage tank, and sensor

Applicants provisionally elect the prosecution the claims identified in group 1, claims 1-13. Claims 14-78 have been cancelled from the application. All claims remaining in the application are believed to be allowable. Early notification of allowability is respectfully requested. If there are any remaining issues which the Examiner believes may be resolved in an interview, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned.

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